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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicants: SUGIURA et al.
Serial No.: 09/930,944
Filed: August 17, 2001
For: ELECTRONIC DEVICE SEALING ELECTRONIC
ELEMENT THEREIN AND MANUFACTURING METHOD
THEREOF, AND PRINTED WIRING BOARD
Group: 2831
Examiner: H. Ngo

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RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

January 22, 2002

Sir:

In response to the election requirement dated December 21, 2001, applicants hereby elect the Group I Species, subject to the following traverse.

In the Office Action, Species I is identified as Figs. 1-5. Species II is identified as Figs. 7A-9B. As such, the election requirement is traversed as being incomplete since it fails to provide for the status of Fig. 6.

From applicants' review of the specification, it is respectfully submitted that Fig. 6 should be included in Species I. As is clear from the description of Fig. 6 beginning on page 10, Fig. 6 particularly defines an arrangement correlated to the previous Figs. 1-5. Repeated

cross-references are made regarding the relationship between Fig. 6 and the earlier figures. As such, applicants respectfully submit that Species I actually includes Figs. 1-6. Accordingly, applicants elect Species I, including Figs. 1-5, and respectfully request that the Examiner also include Fig. 6 in the elected species for the reasons set forth above.

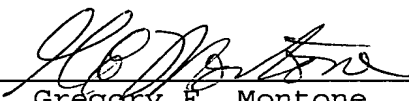
In response to the requirement to list claims readable on the elected species, applicants respectfully submit that claims 1, 4-16 and 20 are readable on the elected Species I.

If the Examiner believes that there are any other points which may be clarified or otherwise disposed of, either by telephone discussion or by personal interview, the Examiner is invited to contact applicants' undersigned attorney at the number indicated below.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 520.40395X00).

Respectfully submitted,

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